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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1044 by Ellis, Rodney (Relating to supplemental pay for certain Department of Public Safety officers who hold a degree or have obtained an equivalent number of credit hours in higher education.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for SB1044, Committee Report 1st House, Substituted: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2005.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2004	\$0
2005	\$0
2006	(\$1,522,584)
2007	(\$1,522,584)
2008	(\$1,522,584)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable (Cost) from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1
2004	\$0
2005	\$0
2006	(\$1,522,584)
2007	(\$1,522,584)
2008	(\$1,522,584)

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Government Code to allow the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to provide \$100 per month in supplemental pay to officers who hold a degree or have obtained an equivalent number of credit hours in higher education.

Methodology

Currently, there are 1,113 Department of Public Safety officers who would qualify for supplemental pay based upon holding a degree and/or having obtained a sufficient number of credit hours equivalent to a degree. Multiplying the 1,113 officers by the \$100 per month and by 12 months per year equals

\$1,335,600 per year. Estimated benefits total \$186,984 for total costs of \$1,522,584 per year.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 327 Employees Retirement System, 405 Department of Public Safety

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